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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/66/103, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, during its current session, to confirm the appointment by the Secretary-General of four persons to fill vacancies in the Investments Committee resulting from the expiration, on 31 December 2011, of the terms of office of Masakazu Arikawa (Japan), Madhav Dhar (India), Nemir Kirdar (Iraq) and Hélène Ploix (France) as regular members. Furthermore, it will be necessary for the Assembly, at its current session, to confirm the appointment of Hilda Ochoa-Brillembourg (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) and Ivan Pictet (Switzerland) as ad hoc members for a one-year term commencing on 1 January 2012.

2. In accordance with the provisions of article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, the Secretary-General, after consultation with the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, submits for confirmation by the General Assembly the reappointment of Mr. Arikawa, Mr. Dhar and Mr. Kirdar as regular members for three-year terms, as well as the appointment of Dominique Senequier (France) as a regular member for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012, to fill the vacancy arising from Ms. Ploix's retirement. Mr. Arikawa is President and Representative Director of Mcube Investment Solutions, Tokyo, and has served as a member of the Committee since 2005. Mr. Dhar is a founding partner of GTI Capital Partners, New Delhi, and has served as a member of the Committee since 2006. Mr. Kirdar is President and Chief Executive Officer of Investcorp International Limited, London, and has served as a member of the Committee since 2006.

3. In accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General proposes to reappoint Ms. Ochoa-Brillembourg, who has served since 2011, and Mr. Pictet, who has served since 2005, as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2012.

4. The curricula vitae of the appointees are set out in the annex to the present document.

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Annex

Curricula vitae

Masakazu Arikawa (Japan)

Date of birth: 1946

Career

President and Representative Director, Mcube Investment Solutions, Japan, 2006

Member of the Committee for Pension Assets Investment, Promotion and Mutual Aid Corporation for Private Schools of Japan, 2004

Managing Director, Global Pension Planning Department of Sony Tokyo, 2003

President and Representative Director, Sony Global Pension Management Corporation, 2002

Chairman and Board Director, Sony Global Treasury Services PLC., 2001

Member of International Pension Conference, 1999

Board Director, Monex-Online Securities Trading Company, 1998

Board Director, Sony Finance International and Sony Life Insurance, 1997

Chief Investment Officer, Sony Pension Fund Management, 1996

General Manager, Finance Department of Sony Tokyo, 1995

General Manager, Business Group Investment in Corporate Planning Division of Sony Tokyo, 1990

Managing Director, Sony Overseas SA, 1984

Entered Sony Corporation, 1974

Research Fellow, Science Academy of Australian National University, 1970

Entered Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Economic Career Service, 1969

Madhav Dhar (India)

Date of birth: 1960

Career

GTI Capital Partners, New Delhi, 2010 to present

India-focused merchant bank

Founding Partner

Traxis Partners LLC, New York, 2003-2010

Global macro hedge fund

Managing Partner

Traxis Capital LLC, New York, 2000-2002

Personal and family fund management

Morgan Stanley and Company, New York, 1985-1999

Managing Director, 1992-1999

Member, MSAM Executive Committee

Head of Global Asset Allocation

Head of Emerging Markets

Portfolio Manager, Active International Equities

Global Investment Strategist

Portfolio Manager, Emerging Markets

Associations

Active involvement in American India Foundation, Breakthrough Foundation, Asia Society

Member, Government of India Committee of Infrastructure Financing

Education

Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Master of Business Administration, 1984

Saint Stephen's College, Delhi University, Delhi

Bachelor of Science (honours), Physics

Represented Delhi State at the National Games in track

Nemir A. Kirdar (Iraq)

Date of birth: 28 October 1936

Career

Founder, Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Investcorp, New York, London and Bahrain, 1982 to present

Vice-President, Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, 1974-1981

Allied Bank International, New York, 1969-1974

Associations

Member, Board of Directors, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Member, Board of Trustees, Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Member, Board of International Councillors, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, D.C.

Member, Board of Trustees, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.

Member, Advisory Board, The Judge Business School, Cambridge University

Member, Advisory Board, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, New York

Member, Board of Visitors, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Member, Dean's Council, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Member, Harvard University Board of Overseers, Committee on University Resources, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Founding member, International Business Council, World Economic Forum, Geneva

Member, Chatham House Panel of Senior Advisers, London

Education

Senior Management Programme, Harvard Business School

Master of Business Administration, Fordham University, New York

Graduate degree in Economics, University of the Pacific, California

Honorary degrees

Doctor of Humane Letters, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Doctor of Laws, University of the Pacific, California

Doctor of Economics, American International University in London, Richmond

Dominique Senequier (France)

Date of birth: 21 August 1953

Career

Chief Executive Officer, AXA Private Equity, 1996 to present

Director, GAN Participations, 1988-1995

Director, Non-Quoted Investments and Sub-Director, Global Investment Department, 1985-1987

Director, Insurance Acquisition Operations, and Sub-Director, Foreign Department, 1983-1985

Secretary-General of the reinsurance subsidiary of GAN Participations, 1981-1983

Insurance Commissioner (Ministry of Economy), 1975-1981

Associations

Member, Supervisory Board, Schneider Electric

Independent member, Board of Directors, Hewlett-Packard

Non-executive member, Board of Directors, CIR (Italian conglomerate)

Education

Ecole Polytechnique

DEA (post-graduate degree) in Banking and Monetary Economics, Sorbonne University

Member, French Actuarial Institute

Hilda Ochoa-Brillembourg (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela)

Date of birth: 8 July 1944

Career

Founding Partner, President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer, Strategic Investment Group

Director, Emerging Markets Management LLC

Chief Investment Officer, Pension Investment Division of the World Bank, 1976-1987

Asset and Liability Adviser, the World Bank, the Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Grupo Electricidad de Caracas, 1972-1976

Lecturer, Universidad Católica Andres Bello and IESA, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, 1970

Treasurer, C.A. Luz Electrica de Venezuela, Caracas, 1967-1971

Associations

Board of Directors, General Mills Inc.

Board of Directors, McGraw-Hill Companies

Board of Directors, Fulbright Association

Board of Directors, Research Foundation of CFA Institute

Board of Directors, Atlantic Council of the United States

Lifetime member, Council on Foreign Relations

Long-term member, World Economic Forum, and Board member of Global Arts Leadership Initiative

Founding Chairman, YOA Orchestra of the Americas

Advisory Committee, David Rockefeller Centre for Latin American Studies, Harvard University

Vice-Chairman, Dean's Alumni Leadership Council, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University

Vice-Chairman, Group of Fifty, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Associations (former)

Board of Directors, Harvard Management Company

Trustee and Chairman, Investment Committee, Vassar College

Board of Directors, World Bank/International Monetary Fund Credit Union

Board of Directors, US Airways Group

Investment Committee, Rockefeller Family Fund

Investment Committee, Eugene and Agnes Meyer Foundation

Trustee and Executive Committee, Washington National Opera

Trustee and Executive Committee, National Symphony Orchestra

Education

Doctoral studies (except dissertation), Harvard Business School

Master of Public Administration, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University

Bachelor of Science in Economics, Universidad Andres Bello, Caracas

Ivan Pictet (Switzerland)

Date of birth: 8 March 1944

Career

Pictet et Compagnie. Beginning in 1982, Ivan Pictet headed the Research and Investment Policy Department, before being put in charge of investment operations. Ultimately, he went on to become Senior Partner with overall responsibility for the Group's strategy, a role he held until he retired in June 2010. Founded in 1805, Pictet et Compagnie is based in Geneva. It is currently the largest private bank in Switzerland and one of Europe's leading independent asset managers, with approximately $400 billion under management and custody, and offices in 18 countries.

Associations

President, Fondation Pictet pour le développement

President, Fondation pour Genève

Member, Advisory Board, Blackstone Private Equity Group

Member, Global International Advisory Board, AEA Investors LP

Education

Master of Business Administration, University of Saint Gallen, Switzerland